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"Paragraph 70. Why do we need a heart? We saw that the body is burning all over and hence the fire of life must be fed in every part. Now how are you going to carry the fuel all over? Between Edinburgh and Glasgow you see three modes of transit side by side, rail, road and canal. The last is the one used in the body. Blood is the carrying agent. The blood is confined in canals and these are the blood-vessels."

There is a delicacy and reverence displayed in the treatment of the subject of reproduction that makes the book worth reading in spite of its archaic style. The teacher, harassed by the numbers of books that *don't* teach how to deal with the sex question for the young, might read this book with profit.

**STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE BODY.** A Handbook for nurses and others desiring a practical knowledge of the subject. By Annette Fiske, M.A., Graduate of the Waltham Training School for Nurses. 12mo of 221 pages, illustrated. Cloth, \$1.25 net. W. B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia and London.

Miss Fisk is a new recruit among the writers of books for nurses written by nurses. Her subject is one that has not been treated in books for nurses in the manner in which she gives it, a manner much more rational and much better adapted to teaching the subject than we have had it in books, although many teachers have already discovered that this is the most satisfactory way of presenting it to the pupil.

Taking first the general structure of the body, she begins with the cell, its structure and function. She goes on to the fundamental tissues, bones and muscles. Taking next the head, she treats the bones, then the muscles and organs of special sense, going on immediately to the brain and the nervous system which carries the subject quite naturally to the body, where she goes on treating of the combined anatomy and physiology of each part with their functions.

Miss Fiske unites the best qualities of teacher and writer, and her book is sure to find appreciative friends.

**CHIROPODY TRAINING AND PRACTICE.** By H. C. Sexton, Graduate Dr. Duncan's School of Surgical Chiropody, San Francisco, and Dr. Kahler's Sons College of Surgical Chiropody, New York. Price, 1 shilling. London Scientific Press, Ltd., 28 and 29 Southampton Street, Strand.

Miss Sexton, an English trained nurse, finding it expedient to make a change from the ordinary routine of the practice of nursing, made the experiment of specializing along the line of chiropody. She offers the result for the benefit of others who may find themselves facing the